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SUBJECT: EXCHANGES: CULTURAL PRESENTATIONS (ECA/IC):
PAUL TAYLOR DANCE COMPANY (PTDC)

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1. ACAA PERFORMING ARTS FINDS SOME SERIOUS DISAGREEMENTS BETWEEN REFTEL AND RESULTS OF LATE SEPT 8 MEETING AT GOSK, BUT WITH GOODWILL ON BOTH SIDES CONTRACT SHOULD BE APPROVED BY SEPT 12, OR 13.

2. ACCORDING TO GOSK'S NETTO, BASIC PROBLEM WITH EMB PREPARED CONTRACT IS UNUSUAL AMOUNT OF TECHNICAL DETAIL INCLUDED UNDER SECTION IV. GOSK SUGGESTS SINCE ALL FACILITIES WERE APPROVED AS IS WITH EXCEPTION OF LENSIVET HALL IN LENINGRAD WHICH HAS ADDITIONAL LIGHTING REQUIREMENTS, SECTION IV, PARA 3 BE AMENDED TO READ: "TO PROVIDE FOLLOWING THEATERS IN CONDITION APPROVED BY GENERAL MANAGER OF PTDC DURING ADVANCE VISIT." ACAA, INSTIGATOR OF SOME OF THIS TECHNICAL DETAIL, AGREES, THOUGH IMPORTANT POINTS SHOULD BE NOTED. FORMER CAO JOHNSON IS UNCLASSIFIED

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HAND-CARRYING SUGGESTED CHANGES TO PTDC CONTRACT WITH EXPLANATIONS. SHE SHOULD BE IN USICA SEPT 11.

3. GOSK'S UDIN DROPPED BOMB THAT NERINGA HOTEL IN VILNIUS NOT AVAILABLE AND GOSK IS ATTEMPTING TO ARRANGE ACCOMODATIONS AT DRAUGISTA HOTEL, WHICH GOSK CLAIMS IS BETTER. UDIN NOTED SAN FRAN SYMPHONY (SFS)

STAYED THERE IN '73. EMB FILES SHOW SFS STAYING AT "DRUZHBA" HOTEL IN VILNIUS, WHICH IS DESCRIBED AS ALMOST BRAND-NEW, MODERN, SITUATION OUTSIDE CITY AND REACHABLE ONLY BY TAXIS WHICH ARE HARD TO FIND. HOTEL AND RESTAURANT STAFF WERE DESCRIBED AS REMARKABLY COOPERATIVE. "DRAUGISTA" IS PROBABLY LITHUANIAN WORD FOR RUSSIAN WORD "DRUZHBA". PLEASE ALERT PTDC OF PROBLEM.

4. GOSK ALSO NOTED TOUR PROPERTIES SHOULD BE SENT IN ADVANCE IN ORDER TO PROVIDE ONWARD TRANSPORTATION FROM MOSCOW TO RIGA. ONE REP OF PTDC SHOULD ARRIVE DAY BEFORE GROUP'S ARRIVAL. HE SHOULD BRING KEYS TO OPEN EVERYTHING FOR CUSTOMS. HE SHOULD ALSO HAVE LIST WITH DESCRIPTION IN RUSSIAN FOR CUSTOMS. GOSK SAID THIS INFO WAS GIVEN TO YESSELMAN DURING ADVANCE VISIT.

5. MOSCOW'S OPERETTA THEATRE ASKED EMBOFF TO REMIND PTDC TO BRING REGULATOR AND CABLE FOR ELECTRICAL NEEDS THERE. OPERETTA ALSO ASKED IF MANAGEMENT COULD MAKE STOP AT THEATER BEFORE GOING TO RIGA ON SEPT 20 OR 21 SINCE MANY OF THEATER'S PRINCIPLES WERE ON LEAVE AT TIME OF ADVANCE.

6. GOSK UNOFFICIALLY TOLD EMBOFF GOSK NOW TRYING TO UNCLASSIFIED

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ARRANGE AEROFLOT TRANSPORTATION OF PROPERTIES ALL THE WAY TO U.S. WILL ADVISE AS SOON AS OFFICIAL.

7. NETTO SAID NATASHA IVANOVA OF ROY CLARK FAME WILL BE PRINCIPLE ESCORT. MARINA MYTEREVA WAS SAID TO BE BUSY WITH ANOTHER GROUP. OTHER ESCORT/INTERPRETERS NAMES TO BE SUPPLIED. GARRISON

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